

Meaningful Differences Between CRMP Action Alternatives

Red = common to Alts A and B Green = common to Alts B and C Blue = common to Alts A and C

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C
	Retention of Current Character	Non-Motorized Experience	Motorized Use and Refugia
Capacity	308 Persons at One Time	324 Persons at One Time	412 + 160 (40 cars) drive through permits = 572 Persons at One time
Roads	708 closed to ALL public travel from Deadman Mesa (FR 591) turnoff to Oak Trail Safety mitigations will be performed along 708 between bridge and Irving. 708 open to all travel from Oak Trailhead to Camp Verde. 502 open to all travel from 708 junction to Childs Motor vehicle access from Camp Verde side only	708 closed to motorized travel from South Mail Trailhead to Oak Trailhead On FR 708, motorized travel ends at 9D except for 10 handicap spaces at Homestead. FR708 closed to motorized travel from Homestead to Oak Trail 502 would be gated and require a non-fee permit for access to Childs. Motor vehicle access from Camp Verde Side only	708 rehabilitated and reopened to public through entire corridor pending funding. Safety mitigations will be performed along 708 between bridge and Irving. 502 open to public year round to Childs
Trails	Existing trail system remains New interpretive trail at West welcome center Designate Oak Trail as system trail	Much of current trail system would remain New interpretive trail at West welcome center FR708 from FR591 to Oak Trailhead converted to motorized trail. Shorten Flume Trail and end at an overlook (no access to Fossil Springs area). New Creek View trail system from 9D parking area New accessible trail from parking to water at Homestead. New accessible trail from Homestead accessible parking along a portion of 708 to bridge and possibly to Irving or Oak TH. Designate Oak Trail (formerly Waterfall trail) as a system trail Fossil Springs trail is renamed South Mail Trail since it no longer continues to Fossil Springs. Decommission trail between Mail Trail and Fossil Springs North Mail TH would remain but does not allow access to Fossil Springs 708 road from FR 591 (Deadman Mesa road) to Oak Trail would be converted to a non-motorized trail. New accessible rim trail loop from South Mail Trailhead. New rim trail loop and connection to 708 from South Mail Trailhead.	Changes to the trail system include: Shorten Flume Trail and end at an overlook (no access to Fossil Springs area). New accessible trail from parking to water at Homestead. Oak Trail is closed and rehabilitated Fossil Springs trail is closed and decommissioned. Decommission trail between Mail Trail and Fossil Springs North Mail TH would remain but does not allow access to Fossil Springs and so is renamed Rim TH. New accessible rim trail loop from Rim Trailhead. New rim trail loop to 708 from Rim Trailhead.

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	Retention of Current Character	Non-Motorized Experience	Motorized Use and Refugia
General Public Use	<p>All current designated rec sites open except Old Corral.</p> <p>Close Homestead to public vehicles. Vehicular access is reserved exclusively for tribal use</p> <p>Botanical area is delineated; 3 camping sites located outside of botanical area.</p>	<p>Current rec sites open include Mazatzal, Sally May, Homestead, Bridge, Tonto Bench, Irving, and Oak TH.</p> <p>Closed rec sites include Old Corral, Purple Mountain, and Fossil Springs.</p> <p>Upper portion of Homestead open to public use with 10 accessible* parking spaces</p> <p>The portion of Fossil Creek from immediately above the end of Oak Trail (upper waterfalls) upstream through the Fossil Springs area to the Mail Trail crossing of Fossil Creek is closed to all recreational use.</p> <p>Botanical area is delineated and closed to all rec use</p>	<p>Current rec sites open include Mazatzal, Sally May, Homestead, Bridge, and Irving.</p> <p>Closed rec sites include Old Corral, Purple Mountain, Tonto Bench, Waterfall, and Fossil Springs.</p> <p>Upper portion of Homestead open to public use with 10 accessible* parking spaces.</p> <p>The portion of Fossil Creek from the old waterfall trailhead upstream through the Fossil Springs area to where the Mail Trail meets Fossil on the Coconino side is closed to all recreational use.</p> <p>New vehicle and pedestrian bridge at Irving and new rec development at old Irving site.</p> <p>Botanical area is enlarged and closed to all recreational use.</p>
Camping	<p>Up to 10 delineated spots in corridor during off-season only.</p> <p>3 designated spots near historic dam year round</p>	<p>Designated camping spots provided for hikers and equestrians at South Mail TH and 9D TH.</p>	<p>No camping within the corridor is allowed.</p>
Recreation Developments	<p>West welcome Center located at Good Enough turn out</p> <p>Bridge parking located at River Bend (in location of several existing social rec sites).</p> <p>3 campsites and toilet(s) installed at Fossil Springs</p> <p>Mitigate safety hazard by slightly modifying Historic Dam.</p>	<p>West welcome center located west of 708/502 junction.</p> <p>Bike racks, stock highlines, and hitching posts installed at suitable locations.</p>	<p>West welcome center located at 708/502 junction.</p> <p>Bridge parking located at The Point (new construction).</p> <p>New bridge to constructed access new recreation development across the creek (at the Historic Irving power plant) from the existing Irving Rec site.</p>
Closures and Restoration	<p>About 10 miles of roads and routes</p> <p>About 11.3 acres of bare ground</p> <p>About 18.4 miles of system trail</p>	<p>About 15 miles of roads and routes</p> <p>About 16.5 acres of bare ground</p> <p>About 26.3 miles of system trail</p>	<p>About 5 miles of roads and routes</p> <p>About 19.6 acres of bare ground</p> <p>About 12.3 miles of system trail</p>

*The term “accessible” has a very specific meaning where it is used in this table. In this context, accessible refers to things that are accessible by person with disabilities. Under the Architectural Barriers Act, Federal facilities have a very strict standards and guidelines to follow. So, when used in this context, this word “accessible” means something would be in full compliance with current standards and guidelines to facilitate use by persons with disabilities.